

**COVID-19 Update: State Policy Actions Impacting Business Operations – SNAP**

<i>Updated State Activity on June 2: Florida (issued a pandemic EBT plan offering P-EBT benefits to SNAP and non-SNAP households).</i>		
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<b>Florida</b>	Direct questions to Sarah Doran ( <a href="mailto:sdoran@ameribev.org">sdoran@ameribev.org</a> ) SNAP Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On May 27, Florida issued a <a href="#">pandemic EBT plan</a> for the State of Florida offering P-EBT benefits to SNAP and non-SNAP households with children who have temporarily lost access to free or reduced-price school meals due to COVID-19 school closures. The State of Florida estimated the total benefits to be \$743,793,484.</li> <li>The USDA’s Food Nutrition Services (FNS) has approved Florida’s request of an additional \$157 million in Emergency Allotments (EA) to SNAP recipients for the months of March and April. This approval will temporarily increase SNAP recipients’ benefit amount to the maximum monthly allotment levels for these months. Under the increased amount, a family of three receiving \$449 per month will now receive \$509 per month.</li> </ul>	
<b>Georgia</b>	Direct questions to Sarah Doran ( <a href="mailto:sdoran@ameribev.org">sdoran@ameribev.org</a> ) SNAP Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Due to a programming glitch, the additional Georgia CR SNAP benefits were <b>NOT</b> available this past weekend. The benefits will be divided into <b>FOUR</b> distributions late Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (March 30- April 2). Customers will have these additional March benefits downloaded over four days, beginning on Sunday evening. Recipients will receive an estimated \$60 million dollars per month in CR SNAP benefits for the months of March and April (which is far more than the \$7 million per month GA was originally told to expect). The April benefits will be added to the recipient's regular benefit schedule.</li> </ul>	
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<b>Illinois</b>	Direct questions to Bill McManus ( <a href="mailto:bmcmanus@ameribev.org">bmcmanus@ameribev.org</a> )  SNAP Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gov. Pritzker and the Illinois Dept. of Human Services (IDHS) announced the state's plan to enable 1.8 million SNAP recipients to make online food purchases from participating grocery retailers has been approved by the federal government. This new purchasing option will begin on June 2.  <a href="https://www2.illinois.gov/Pages/news-item.aspx?ReleaseID=21564">https://www2.illinois.gov/Pages/news-item.aspx?ReleaseID=21564</a></li> </ul>	
<b>Indiana</b>	Direct questions to Steve Lodge ( <a href="mailto:slodge@ameribev.org">slodge@ameribev.org</a> )  SNAP Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) announced that populations considered high-risk, such as the elderly, can have their groceries delivered using SNAP benefits. This will reduce their risk of exposure to the virus and eliminate food-access barriers such as travel and transportation.</li> <li>FSSA also said that households receiving SNAP benefits with one or more school-aged children who have lost access to free or reduced-rate meals at schools will be able to receive extra benefits on their existing SNAP EBT cards.</li> <li>Earlier in April, FSSA announced that SNAP households will be able to receive the maximum allotment of benefits, based on number of people. SNAP households which are not currently receiving the maximum allotment will receive additional benefits.</li> </ul>	

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<b>Minnesota</b>	<p>Direct questions to Steve Lodge (<a href="mailto:slodge@ameribev.org">slodge@ameribev.org</a>)</p> <p>SNAP Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue has announced the approval of a request from Minnesota to provide online purchasing of food with SNAP benefits. The state can expedite implementation of an online purchasing program with authorized SNAP online retailers.  <a href="https://www.usda.gov/media/press-releases/2020/05/01/usda-approves-minnesota-accept-snap-benefits-online">https://www.usda.gov/media/press-releases/2020/05/01/usda-approves-minnesota-accept-snap-benefits-online</a></li> </ul>
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<b>New Jersey</b>	<p>Direct questions to Sandra Grance (<a href="mailto:sgrance@ameribev.org">sgrance@ameribev.org</a>)</p> <p>SNAP Program:</p> <p><a href="https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2020/Bills/ACR/165_S1.PDF">https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2020/Bills/ACR/165_S1.PDF</a>  <a href="https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2020/Bills/ACR/165_I1.PDF">https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2020/Bills/ACR/165_I1.PDF</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The New Jersey State Legislature passed Concurrent Resolution (ACR165/SCR109) that urges the state’s Department of Human Services (DHS) to apply for any federal waivers available to increase and extend access to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits and ease any administrative barriers to accessing benefits that arise from the nationwide outbreak of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)</li> </ul>
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<b>West Virginia</b>	<p>Direct questions to Sarah Doran (<a href="mailto:sdoran@ameribev.org">sdoran@ameribev.org</a>)</p> <p>SNAP Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The West Virginia State Department. of Education and State Department of Human Resources announced on May 4 that West Virginia’s application for the Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) cards has been approved.</li> <li>Families with school children who already qualify for free or reduced-price school meals will receive approximately \$313 per child in a lump sum payment to cover the summer months. The money, made available through the CARES Act, will automatically be added to SNAP EBT cards.</li> </ul>	
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